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Teammates,

Fourteen years ago America was emotionally awakened by a horrific act carried out by 19 militants with ties to al-Qaeda. These terrorists hijacked four airlines with the intent to demoralize the American people through suicide attacks against U.S. targets.

At the end of the day on 11 September, 2001, more than 3,000 people were dead in New York City, a field in Pennsylvania and at the Pentagon in Washington, DC.

In the aftermath of these attacks, American men and women responded. They did not flee in terror, as could have been expected, but instead, as President Barack Obama has described, Americans persevered: "We carry on, because, as Americans, we do not give in to fear -- ever."

Today we ask that you take a moment and think about what freedom means and what part you play in our country's continuing liberty. Be mindful of those who wish to take our freedom and appreciative of those who preserve it.

African Horizons!

Sincerely,

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